

**District IV Advisory Board**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**March 1, 2006**  
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The **District IV Advisory Board Meeting** was held at 7:00 p.m. at the Lionel Alford Branch Library. In attendance were nine (9) District Advisory Board members, five (5) staff and approximately ten (10) citizens with nine (7) signing in.

**Members Present**

Peggy Bennett  
Jim Benton  
Joshua Blick  
Mary Cockburn  
Tom Englemann  
Marjorie Griffith  
Ed Koon  
Gerald Marsh  
Jerry McGinty  
Council Member Gray

**Members Absent**

Michael Gisick  
Doug Leeper

**Staff Present**

Officer Fiegel, Police  
Kelli Glassman, City Manager's Office  
Don Kirkland, Water and Sewer  
John Schlegel

**Guests**

Gavin Buchanan, 1425 S Sedgwick  
Joan Cole, 151 N Rock Island  
Thomas Dow, KDOT  
Tom Hein, KDOT  
Mark Kenneacccy, KDOT  
Steve Lackey, KDOT  
Marjie Norton, KDOT

**Order of Business**

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Josh Blick (Jim Benton)** moved to approve the agenda for the March 1, 2006 meeting. The motion passed 9-0.

**Josh Blick (Jim Benton)** moved to approve the minutes for the February 1, 2006 meeting with the following correction suggested by Peggy Bennett on the third sentence from the bottom on page 4:

- Peggy Bennett has been appointed chair of the membership committee for the Sister Cities Board.

The motion passed 9-0.

## **Public Agenda**

### **1. Scheduled Items**

#### **Lead Poisoning**

**Shannon Steinbauer, Sedgwick County**, presented information to the Board on the importance of and current efforts to mitigate lead poisoning in the community.

The Board asked a few questions with responses in italics:

- What is done after testing? *Education about detecting and preventing lead poisoning.*
- Is lead usually found in the exterior or interior of the house? *Lead can be found in both places, but is more common on the exterior of the house.*
- Does lead get into soil? *Not usually, it usually stays on top of the soil.*

**Action Taken:** Received and filed.

#### **Wichita's Promise Youth Council**

Wichita's Promise Youth Council members addressed the Board regarding their mission and recent activities. Their mission is to act as a positive voice and representation for youth by taking action on issues facing the community. One way they do this is every three years they conduct an ACTION survey to determine the concerns of area teens. Based on these results, they design programs to address the top five concerns mentioned in the survey. This survey is distributed to teenagers ages 13-19 in Sedgwick County high schools. So far, this year WPYC has collected 850 surveys and hope to have 1,000 total completed surveys.

**Action Taken:** Received and filed.

### **2. Off-Agenda Items**

No items were submitted.

## **Staff Presentations**

### **3. Community Police Officers**

**Officer Fiegel** gave statistics on crimes cleared on several beats within the district for 2004 and 2005. She also noted several issues that police officers are addressing in the area:

- Increase in construction, residential, non-residential and scrap metal burglaries.
- Decrease in copper and air conditioning unit thefts
- Purses are being stolen from parents taking their children to daycare in West Wichita.
- National Night Out is August 1

The Board asked if shoes over power lines were a sign of gang activity. Officer Fiegel stated that she was not aware that this was a sign of gang activity, but would verify and follow-up on this.

**Action Taken:** Receive and File.

#### **4. I-235/Kellogg Project**

**Staff from the Kansas Department of Transportation and Transystems** presented the Board with details of this project and asked for any comments they have about the project or needs; as well as, ask for a volunteer to serve on the Community Advisory Council to provide public input on this matter and continue to keep the DAB informed of the status of this project.

Due to increased and prolonged traffic flow, this project will entail enhancing the Kellogg and Central interchanges on I-235. It will take 18 months to complete a design study for this project. This project will include both service (signal) and system (junction of 2 high speed access control systems) interchanges.

The governing body will be presented with updates on this project twice after design concepts are finalized and the citizen input group will meet five times to address this issue.

The Board made the following comments and asked the following questions with responses in italics:

- Pleased to see that operational problems at Kellogg and I-235 will be addressed.
- Will any work be done at the I-235 and Maple interchange? *This interchange was considered, but nothing at this interchange will be modified or enhanced through this project due to its close proximity to Kellogg. Nonetheless, design concept analysis will look at area wide improvements.*
- Will there be more money for this project raised over the next 18 months? *It is hoped that there will be more partnerships formed for this project to increase overall funding.*

It was recommend that **Ed Koon** serve as representative to the citizen input and **Tom Engelmänn** serve as alternate for this group.

**Action Taken:** Receive and file.

#### **5. Proposed Farmers Market Regulations**

**John Schlegel, MAPD**, presented proposed farmers market regulations based on a request for regulatory changes to allow outdoor farmers markets in “LC” Limited Commercial zoning districts for more than two days per month. These can be any day of the week from April through October.

Farmers markets are not specifically defined and/or regulated by either the Wichita-Sedgwick County Unified Zoning Code (UZC) or by City of Wichita “miscellaneous sale” or “transient merchant” licensing ordinances. Per current UZC requirements, outdoor farmers markets are regulated as “outdoor business promotion and/or sales”. “Outdoor business promotions and/or sales” are limited in the “LC” Limited Commercial district to not more than 2 days per month.

In less restrictive zoning districts, farmers markets may occur for an unlimited number of days (provided certain other required City sales and/or vendor/business licenses are obtained). General direction provided by the City Council with respect to outdoor farmers markets includes the following:

- Should be defined and regulated in the UZC, and additionally controlled through local licensing
- Should focus primarily on agricultural products grown or raised by local or regional farmers
- Should allow for sale of home crafts, handicrafts and certain home-baked and prepared foods
- Should allow for some transient merchant vendors and other transient/mobile food vendors
- Should be allowed for more than two days per month in the “LC” zoning district (maximum of five days per month is suggested)
- Should be restricted to a maximum number of days per month in all less restrictive zoning districts than “LC” (maximum of five days is suggested)

The proposed UZC amendments define “Outdoor Farmers Market”, establish minimum conditions/requirements for outdoor farmers markets and operation, and restrict outdoor farmers markets to no more than five days per month in all zoning districts where they will be allowed (“LC”, “OW”, “GC”, “CBD”, “LI” and “GI”).

The draft licensing ordinance for farmers markets also sets forth a number of conditions/requirements for operation of farmers markets, and places primary responsibility for market management on a designated “market operator” (who would: obtain the required farmers market license, assure that any other required vendor licenses are obtained, provide and enforce written market rules, enforce minimum standards outlined in the UZC and the license ordinance, and otherwise manage and control the farmers market). Although the proposed farmers market license is set up to be a single “umbrella” type of application/license (issued to the market operator), there are certain types of vendors that will still be required to separately obtain a license (transient food vendors for cooked meats, sale of certain canned goods such as pickles and jams, etc.) from the City/Environmental Services Department in order to assure consumer health safety and compliance with certain State health regulations.

The Board provided the following comments and asked the following questions with responses in italics:

- Requested clarification on how the provision allowing a farmer’s market for five days a month was reached. *This figure was based on the assumption that a farmers market would be held once a month and sometimes there are five of these days in a month.*
- Requested confirmation on how many vendors would need to be present to establish a market. *There would need to be two minimum, but it is hoped that there will be more.*
- Requested clarification on whether these new regulations would apply to the exiting farmer’s market. *These regulations will apply equally to all farmers markets.*
- Requested that handicapped parking is maintained in spaces where the new farmer’s markets will be located

- Requested confirmation if there is currently a licensing fee for farmer's market vendors. *It was not clear to staff present if there is a current licensing fee imposed on vendors.*

Citizens present expressed the need to encourage more farmer's markets through incentives with no excessive fees and stringent licensing requirements such as those being proposed. Mr. Schlegel indicated that staff would meet with Old Town Farmers Market owner Pat Randleas and Wichita Downtown Economic Development Cooperation President Ed Wolverton and refine these regulations before they are presented to City Council. The Board agreed that the regulations required further stakeholder input, but agreed overall with the intent of the proposed regulations.

**Action Taken:** Provided feedback for City Council consideration.

## **6. Southeast Water Transmission Main**

**Don Kirkland, Water and Sewer,** presented the item.

The 2005 Update to the Water & Sewer Department Water Master Plan indicates that a Southeast Booster Pump Station is required by the summer of 2006 to improve system pressures from Oliver Street to Webb Road and between 17th Street North and Central, which is currently in the Hess Pressure Zone. The development of the new East Pressure Zone boundary (Edgemoor) will encompass this area.

The Southeast Booster Pump Station will initially use water from the existing 20-inch water main in Harry Street to supply the pumps and boost the pressure. The Water Master Plan indicates that a larger supply of water to the booster pump station will be required by the peak usage period in the year 2008.

The Water Master Plan indicates that the larger supply of water come from a water transmission main that would tie into an existing 48-inch water main near Maple Street and Exposition Street and end at the proposed Southeast Booster Pump Station. (See Map)

As set out by the 2005 Update of the Water Master Plan, the water transmission main will be comprised of a 48-inch pipe. The route will begin at a connection to an existing 48-inch water transmission main near Maple Street and Exposition Street and end at the proposed Southeast Booster Pump Station site near Harry Street and Gouverneur Street.

To accomplish this goal, it is anticipated that the following work will be required:

- Develop and present alternative routes to determine cost effective alignment
- Present alternative route selections to District Advisory Board, Neighborhood Associations, Park Board, City Council, etc. as necessary
- Determine all permits and easement acquisitions that would be necessary for all selected route alternatives
- Consider and list all environmental considerations and requirements such as Environmental Assessment Reports for all selected route alternatives

- Complete geotechnical services necessary to determine optimal routing for the water transmission main under consideration
- Review Preliminary Design Concepts. Submit preliminary concepts of routes for review with the City prior to progressing to detail aspects of the work.
- Prepare engineering reports, and routing options as well as estimate of costs.
- Provide potential utility conflicts and provide prints of preliminary routing plans showing the problem locations to each utility.
- Identify locations not conducive to open cut construction
- Identify complexities necessary to obtain easements and right-of-ways on all alternative routes.

The Capital Improvement Program project (CIP W- 1194) was included in the 2005 approved CIP. The total budget for the project is \$ 12.8 million: \$ 2.0 million was budgeted in 2005, \$ 6.4 million in 2006 and \$ 4.4 million in 2007. The project will be funded from Water Utility revenues and reserves, and/or a future revenue bond issue and will take approximately three years to complete.

**Action Taken:** Provide feedback for City Council consideration.

**The meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.**

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Kelli Glassman**

**District IV Neighborhood Assistant**